

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 1994 - 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL V

Current Situation: Large fires in Idaho experienced significant fire activity yesterday. Initial Attack activity continued in the western Geographic Areas. Demobilization is continuing from the Northwest and Northern Rockies as fires reach closer towards containment.

Colonel Chip Leonard, USA, is the Task Force Commander of one Battalion and one Aviation Unit assigned to the Corral Creek and Blackwell fires. Colonel Joseph Leigh, USA, is the Task Force Commander of one Battalion assigned to the Kooacanusa Complex.

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Wagenfehr, Area Commander) is in place on the Boise National Forest. The Area Command is responsible for the Idaho City Complex, the Thunderbolt and Star Gulch fires.

CORRAL CREEK, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Monahan), and the 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, USA (Lt. Col. Bostick, Commander) are assigned. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade, (Lt. Col. Brostrom, Commander) and the A/6-158th Aviation Unit, USAR. Fire activity continued, increasing the fire by 635 acres. Rehab of fire lines is continuing. Structures continue to be threatened in the Salmon River Drainage, French Creek and Marshall Mine areas.

IDAHO CITY COMPLEX, Boise NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Maupin) is assigned. The complex consists of the BANNOCK, BEAR RIVER, RABBIT CREEK and NORTH FORK fires. The fire made a 6.4 mile run up the North Fork Boise River. The fire front is expected to be within sight of Grandjean today. Structure protection will be in place for summer homes in and around the Wapiti Creek and Grandjean areas. Rapid spread and profuse spotting were observed and are expected to continue today. The Graham Bridge Guard Station is still intact, but two outbuildings were destroyed.

CHICKEN COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (O'Bannon) is assigned. The fire made significant runs to the west and south. Crews were pulled off divisions on either side of Warren Summit. The fire crossed a dozer line north of China Mtn. Short crowning runs, with torching and short range spotting occurred.

BLACKWELL COMPLEX, Payette NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Harbour) is assigned. Helicopter support is being provided by the 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade (Lt. Col. Brostrom, Commander) and the A/6-158th Aviation Unit, USAR. High winds increased fire activity and pushed the north flank towards Ruby Mtn and Secesh Meadows. Spotting 2 miles ahead of the fire and 170 foot flame lengths were observed. Numerous spots are located in lodgepole pine.

THUNDERBOLT, Boise NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Martin) is assigned. The 4th Battalion, 1st Aviation Brigade, USA is providing helicopter support. Fire activity increased early in the afternoon, with spotting up to a 1/4 mile. The fire made a major run in the South Fork Salmon River Canyon. A paving operation on the South Fork Salmon River road was halted, work crews

were removed from the area as a precaution. Structure protection remains in place at Wapiti Ranch.

REILLY CANYON, Salt Lake District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Fitzgerald) is assigned. Crews made significant headway, eliminating several hotspots that had the potential to escape. Fire spread was minimal and burning intensity was less than on previous days.

TIN CUP COMPLEX, Caribou NF. This is an escape from the Browns Canyon fire which was part of the Tin Cup Complex. Burnout operations continue along Flat Valley Road on the east flank. Spotting continues to occur outside of the containment lines.

LAKE, Targhee NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Black) is assigned. Crews made good progress in stopping further spread and cooling off areas of flare-ups.

PIONEER COMPLEX, Challis NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (McAtee) is assigned. This complex consists of the PIONEER CREEK and NORTON LAKE fires. Spotting occurred on the Norton Lake fire, but crews were able to contain them without any problems. McAtee's Team will transition with a District Team today and turn the fire over to the District tomorrow.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
			CTN	CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
CORRAL CREEK	PAF	ID	88,575	50	UNK	1,297	41	13	7	0	UNK	15.6M
IDAHO CITY CX	BOF	ID	111,000	50	UNK	1,103	19	36	10	3	146M	39M
CHICKEN CMLPX	PAF	ID	68,000	5	UNK	1,045	29	33	13	15	UNK	4.8M
BLACKWELL	PAF	ID	49,800	45	UNK	716	15	26	6	0	2.8M	20M
THUNDERBOLT	BOF	ID	16,500	50	9/12	558	17	11	8	0	UNK	8.6M
REILLY CANYON	SLD	UT	3,083	60	9/9	304	11	0	3	0	UNK	309K
TIN CUP CMLPX	CAF	ID	1,450	60	9/21	107	4	6	0	0	UNK	450K
LAKE	TAF	ID	1,918	35	9/10	463	16	0	7	0	UNK	550K
PIONEER CREEK	CHF	ID	9,032	88	9/8	170	4	1	4	0	50K	3.9M
CUDDY COMPLEX	PAF	ID	420	100	9/7	471	12	17	4	0	UNK	1.2M
ARMSTRONG	RID	UT	500	100		8	0	2	0	0	UNK	4K

Northern Rockies Area Large Fires:

An Area Command (Kitchens, Area Commander) is in place on the Kootenai National Forest. The Area Command is responsible for the following fires: Yaak-Red Dragon Complex, Cabinet Complex, Libby Complex, Trout Creek Complex, High One, Wolf II, and Koocanusa Complexes.

YAAK RED DRAGON COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. Two Type II Incident Management Teams (Bullis and Hancock) are assigned. The major fires in the complex are: THUNDER HILL, 17 MILE, ZIMMERMAN, PULPIT, STUDEBAKER, FISH FRY, FOWLER, GUNSIGHT, BURNT SHEEP, and PINK MTN. Montana National Guard and Montana Air National Guard are assigned. The complex has 4 fires receiving suppression action. Thirty fires have been controlled and five fires have been contained. Demobilization of crews has begun. Hancock's Team will take over management of the Cabinet and Trout Creek complexes along with the Upper Yaak Complex tomorrow.

LIBBY COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. The major fires in the complex are: SCENERY, LEIGH CREEK, PARMENTER,

CHINA BASIN, MCKAY MTN, QUARTZ and HANGING FLOWER.

CABINET COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. This complex consists of the GRAUMBAUER, SPRUCE, SURVEY, DRIFT, WILLARD, and WILL DO fires. Xedar was flown around the perimeter of the complex and picked up several hot spots.

KOOCANUSA COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. The 3-11th Field Artillery, I Corps (Lt. Col. Patterson) is committed. The complex is contained.

POWELL COMPLEX, Clearwater NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hodge) is assigned. This complex includes the FREEZEOUT, FERN CREEK, SPONGE, EAST BEAVER, BIG SAND, HIDDEN CREEK, HESLIP RIDGE and GOLD MEADOWS fires. All fires in the complex except the Heslip and East Beaver, are estimated at 22% contained. The East Beaver is 60% contained. Work is continuing on the East Beaver and Freezeout fires.

TROUT CREEK COMPLEX, Kootenai NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Porter) is assigned. The major fires in this complex are: PILLICK RIDGE, LOST GIRL, GOAT ROCKS and DEVIL'S DAD.

DRY HEAD, Crow Agency, BIA. The fire is burning in sage brush, ponderosa pine and juniper. The fire had a five mile front and was pushed by winds gusting up to 30 MPH.

NORTH FORK COMPLEX, Glacier NP. The major fires in the complex are: STARVATION, HOWLING and ADAIR II. Initial attack of the Snyder fire was completed. Further suppression actions are ongoing with initial attack resources.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC LOST	EST\$ LOSS	EST COST
YAAK-RED DRAG	KNF	MT	12,109	93	9/10	1,093	38	11	6	0	9.6M	14.9M
LIBBY COMPLEX	KNF	MT	12,990	99	UNK	215	4	5	6	0	9.5M	5.7M
CABINET CPLX	KNF	MT	3,500	98	UNK	385	15	0	0	0	UNK	3.4M
POWELL CMPLX	CWF	ID	14,305	22	UNK	55	1	0	2	0	UNK	981K
TROUT CREEK C	KNF	MT	1,300	90	UNK	70	3	0	0	0	UNK	800K
DRY HEAD	CRA	MT	1,000	0	UNK	63	2	6	2	0	UNK	UNK
NORTH FORK CX	GNP	MT	5,151	60	UNK	33	1	1	1	0	UNK	961K

Northwest Area Large Fires:

A Unified Command with Area Commanders: Decker representing Wallowa Co, Woo representing Oregon State and Kurth representing the USFS, is in place on the Wallowa-Whitman NF. The Unified Command is responsible for all fires within the Enterprise area.

TWIN LAKES, Wallowa-Whitman NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Liebersbach) and a Type II Incident Management Team (Duke) are assigned. The fire blew out yesterday and is now within 100 yards of Russell Mtn Lookout. Protection of the lookout is the priority for today. The fire is currently using 2 base camps and 3 spike camps.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
TWIN LAKES	WWF	OR	17,300	75	9/10	1,583	58	30	8	1	UNK	3.7M
FREEZEOUT	WWF	OR	14,326	100		294	8	2	5	0	UNK	2.8M

Western Great Basin Area Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
ROCKY POINT	EKD	NV	700	100		70	3	8	1	0	UNK	UNK

Southwest Area Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRUC	EST\$	EST
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
LIBERTY	AZS	AZ	2,200	100		80	3	5	2	0	UNK	22K

North Zone - California Large Fires:

FERN, Shasta Trinity Ranger Unit, California State. A California State Team has been ordered. The fire is burning in grass, oak woodland and digger pine 3 miles north of Whitmore. Dwellings on small acreage parcels of 5-10 acres are south of the fire. Spotting and winds are causing control problems.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	COST
FERN	CAS	CA	200	0	UNK	UNK	15	35	2	UNK	UNK	UNK

Outlook: \*\*\* A RED FLAG WARNING is posted in central Montana for very low humidity, hot temperatures and increasing winds. A RED FLAG WARNING is posted for Oregon east of the Cascades for moderate southerly winds and low humidity. \*\*\* Near red flag conditions exist in Wyoming and southern Idaho for low humidity and increasing southwesterly winds. High pressure will dominate the Southwest into Wyoming and Montana, warm and dry conditions will prevail with scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms. A low off the British Columbia coast will move inland bringing rain along the Washington and Oregon coast, isolated showers and thunderstorms over northern and central Idaho and increasing winds to Washington, Oregon and Idaho. Increased activity is expected on large fires with warm, dry conditions and increasing winds in the forecast.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			1		3		4
NORTHWEST	1	1			6	9	17
CA-NORTHERN						8	8
CA-SOUTHERN					24	3	27

NORTHERN	2				5	2	9
GB-EASTERN		3			1	7	11
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST	2				2	8	12
ROCKY MTN		2			3		5
EASTERN					4		4
SOUTHERN					3		3
USA	5	6	1	0	51	37	100

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA			601		5		606
NORTHWEST	160	0			40	3	203
CA-NORTHERN						10	10
CA-SOUTHERN					335	2	337
NORTHERN	1,001				300	1	1,302
GB-EASTERN		300			0	343	643
GB-WESTERN							0
SOUTHWEST	0				205	1	206
ROCKY MTN		1			2		3
EASTERN					4		4
SOUTHERN					5		5
USA	1,161	301	601	0	896	360	3,319

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	76	23	43	18	19	6	7		455	219
CA-NORTHERN	4	15	7	28	1	1	2	4	10	70
CA-SOUTHERN	12		37		3					
NORTHERN	42	22	22	1	38	3			399	24
GB-EASTERN	#151	20	83	76	# 37	25			#1,151	751
GB-WESTERN		3	7		1					
SOUTHWEST	4	1	10	1	2		1		7	2
ROCKY MTN	4		42		6					
EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	293	84	251	124	107	35	10	4	2,022	1,066

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

\* No reports received.

# Includes military

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	62	78	56	15	375	7	593
NORTHWEST	398	279	11	135	1,990	1,883	4,696
CA-NORTHERN	95	43	3	60		861	1,062

CA-SOUTHERN		100		25	3,013	630	3,768
NORTHERN	367	45		78	1,457	2,484	4,431
GB-EASTERN	86	766		39	455	1,326	2,672
GB-WESTERN		491		1	83	171	746
SOUTHWEST	1,472	387	17	231	1,642	2,641	6,390
ROCKY MTN	683	782		91	591	701	2,848
EASTERN	324			53	9,643	409	10,429
SOUTHERN	2		34	81	20,436	662	21,215
USA	3,489	2,971	121	809	39,685	11,775	58,850
5 YEAR AVERAGE							55,567

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	46,419	48,325	94,253	12,830	44,669	2	246,498
NORTHWEST	65,601	85,217	7,918	4,231	92,563	276,309	531,839
CA-NORTHERN	136	5,416	8,042	4,506		89,724	107,824
CA-SOUTHERN		26,057		15	47,177	68,370	141,619
NORTHERN	7,427	3,715		11,690	29,428	96,868	149,128
GB-EASTERN	1,444	238,255		46	85,775	433,831	759,651
GB-WESTERN		195,639			4,416	14,171	214,226
SOUTHWEST	31,722	120,397	7,683	24,038	218,077	152,203	554,120
ROCKY MTN	22,030	37,088		2,413	11,870	10,425	83,826
EASTERN	16,399			940	87,347	4,622	109,308
SOUTHERN	12		15,799	3,763	396,787	37,417	453,778
USA	191,190	760,409	133,695	64,472	1,018,109	1,183,942	3,351,817
5 YEAR AVERAGE							2,238,274

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	57	78	3,824	26,095
YUKON TERRITORY	0	157	253	243,857
ALBERTA	18	20	747	28,263
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	4	56	607	2,772,795
SASKATCHEWAN	22	6,285	572	536,350
MANITOBA	11	3,103	491	450,444
ONTARIO	2	0	986	79,353
QUEBEC	5	1	433	115,893
NEWFOUNDLAND	4	0	141	110,686
NEW BRUNSWICK	16	3	334	171
NOVA SCOTIA	7	1	200	126
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	18	14
NATIONAL PARKS	2	6,266	148	66,979
TOTALS	148	15,770	8,754	4,431,026

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